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Method for Manufacturing Transflective Thin Film

Transistor (TFT) Liquid Crystal Display (LCD)

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

In the Office Action dated April 20, 2005, setting a 1-month shortened statutory period for a reply ending on May 20, 2005, the pending dependent Claims 2-21 were restricted as follows:

- I. Claims 2-4 and 6-15 drawn to a method of making a transreflective LCD having details of the resin layers, contact holes, and TFT structure; and
- II. Claims 5 and 16-22 drawn to a method of making a transreflective LCD having details of the concave/convex portions under the reflective layer.

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The Office Action acknowledges that Claim 1 links the Inventions I and II and that upon the allowance of the linking claim(s) the restriction requirement as to the linked inventions shall be withdrawn and any claims depending from or otherwise including all the limitations of the allowable linking claims will be entitled to the examination in the instant application.

Accordingly, Applicants hereby provisionally elect Claims 2-4 and 6-15 (as well as the generic Claim 1) with traverse for the reasons below.

Applicants retain the right to present the non-elected in a divisional application.

Applicants respectfully agree with the Examiner that allowability of a linking or a generic claim precludes restriction. If an application contains an allowable generic claim, the divisible species claims are required to be examined in a single application, if the species claims are either written in dependent form or otherwise include all the limitations of the generic claim. In such a case, species claims are automatically allowable and no further search is required. 37 CFR § 1.141(a).

Therefore, the Examiner is respectfully advised that Applicants will rely on the patentability of the generic Claim 1 to overcome the present restriction requirement. If Claim 1 is found allowable, all other dependent claims will also be allowable, and the restriction requirement should be withdrawn.

Accordingly, election of Claims 2-4 and 6-15 (as well as the generic Claim 1) with traverse is confirmed.

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This response is considered to be responsive to all points raised in the Office Action. Should the Examiner have any remaining questions or concerns, the Examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned attorney by telephone to expeditiously resolve such concerns.

Respectfully submitted,

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